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SUMMARY OF CHANGES

This document has been revised and must be completely reviewed. Minor changes include updating AETC/A3F references, waiver tiering per AFI 33-360 and other administrative items.

1.2.4.3. Refer to AETC/A3F.

1.2.4.4. Refer to AETC/A3F.

1.2.6. This also applies to F-16 weapons system officers (WSO).

1.6.1. The AETC RAP training cycle is aligned with the Calendar Year.

2.2.1. Refer to AETC/A3F.

2.5.2. Refer to AETC/A3F.

4.6.1. **Currency.** Table 4.3 (added), as supplemented by the most current RTM, defines currency requirements for all F-16 WSOs. If a WSO loses a particular currency, that sortie or event may not be performed except for the purpose of regaining currency as noted (T-2).

Table 4.3. (Added) F-16 WSO Currencies.

A	B	C	D	E	F
EVENT	To update fly:	Every	Affects CMR	To regain currency:	Notes
AAR	Day or night AAR	180	Yes	Event	1
ACBT	ACBT	90	Yes	ACBT, Ref 4.6.4 of basic instruction	2
Demanding Sortie	Any sortie	30	No	Non-demanding mission	3
Element A/A Maneuvers	Event	90	No	Event	1, 4
Instructor	Event or Sim event	90	No	Event, Ref 4.6.5 of basic instruction	8
Low Alt LGB	Event	60	No	Day event	1, 5
LOWAT	Low A/A or Low A/G event	90	No	Low A/A or Low A/G event	1, 6
NVG	Event or Sim event	180	No	NVG Re-currency mission IAW par 4.6.6 of basic instruction	7, 8
Range	Event	180	No	Event	1, 10
Self-Designated LGB Loft	Night event	45	No	Night event	9
TFR	Night event	60	No	Night event	9

NOTES:

1. Supervision will be FL-qualified squadron supervisor or instructor, qualified and current in the event/capability.
2. Recurrency supervision level is IP in aircraft or chase, qualified and current in event.
3. See Attachment 2 of the basic instruction for demanding/non-demanding sortie definitions. In addition, WSOs will fly in a supervised status (with a FL-qualified SQ supervisor or IP) any time a non-demanding sortie is required.
4. Currency is updated by accomplishing an A-A event with emphasis on blue element employment contracts and deconfliction. Does not affect CMR. If non-current, must accomplish a day event. Opposed Air-to-Ground sorties that fit the definition in A2.1.24 of the basic instruction may update this currency.
5. Low Alt LGB currency applies to LANTIRN WSOs conducting LGB attacks in a certified LOW ALT block while operations are conducted using the LANTIRN system.
6. Currency is required in the WSO's low altitude category for operations below 1000 feet (Table 6.1). Loss of currency requires regression to the next higher altitude block. Operations in a lower block will update the higher block categories. Re-currency requires satisfactory performance in the following events: vertical awareness training, hard turns, tactical formation, and offensive/defensive maneuvering.
7. Must be current in NVG Refresher Academics. Supervision will be an NVG current, qualified pilot in the aircraft, or current FL-qualified SQ supervisor or IP in the element.
8. For units with any type of simulator (UTD, MTT, NTC, MTC), this currency may be updated as part of a tactical/EP simulator profile.
9. See paragraph 4.6.8 of the basic instruction.
10. Updated by an actual weapons release on a class A/B/C range.

5.5.1.3. (**Added**) Pilots will use the range cue techniques found on the current F-16 Tactical Strafe card in AFTTP 3-1.F-16 for all TAC STRF attacks.

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Attachment 1

GLOSSARY OF REFERENCES AND SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Adopted Forms

AF Form 847, *Recommendation for Change of Publication*, 22 September 2009

Abbreviations and Acronyms

WSO—Weapons Systems Officer